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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action herein mailed 8 April 1999, time for response to which was set to expire on 8 July 1999. A Petition for an Extension of Time of 3 months until 8 October 1999 is attached hereto along with the required fee. The pending claims, claims 1-21, are subject to a restriction requirement. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for restriction and the following is offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.